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Land & Water Resources Committee
June 10th, 2021 – 9:30 am
Courthouse, Mauston WI

PRESENT: Rodney Seamans, Chair, Joe Lally, Scott Wilhorn (Zoom), Chris Zindorf, Jon Field (NRCS), Rick Nitz (NRCS)

1. Meeting called to order by chair, Rodney Seamans, at 9:10 am
2. MINUTES
Motion by Zindorf seconded Lally by to approve the minutes of May 13th, 2021 meeting. Motion carried.
3. NRCS – Jon Field
 - Update given on current projects including installation of fence for rotational grazing, a small dam repair, and a manure pit closure
 - Investigation of whistleblower complaint in Orange township for installation of drainage tiles
 - Discussion of FSA rental rates
 - Introduction of new NRCS intern Rick Nitz who started June 7th
4. FSA – Sarah Fleck
 - All crop reporting maps have been sent out to participating producers with instructions for filling out maps completely. We must have all signatures no later than July 15th. There are earlier deadlines for reporting prevent plant or failed acres.
 - There is a crop insurance benefit to have cover crops reported for acres then planted to an insured crop. The cover crops MUST be reported by JUNE 15th
 - The Coronavirus Food Assistance Program 2 re-opened on Monday, April 5, if there are producers that did not apply during the CFAP2 sign up period, they can call the FSA office and discuss with the staff how to get signed up
5. VOUCHERS – Dustin Ladd
 - Discussion of May vouchers
6. JOINT FUNDING REQUEST FOR WATER TESTING – Dustin Ladd
 - Discussion of Land & Water and the Health Department requesting funds from the American Recovery Act for water issues in Juneau County. Funds would be used for long term water testing, well replacements, water treatment, 9-key element plan for the Lemonweir Watershed
 - Wood County would like to refund water testing money to be held in an account by Juneau County for future water testing needs

7. AGC UPDATE – Dustin Ladd

- Conference call was held 6/9/21, an update was given on the UW study on Nitrate. There is water table monitoring and 5 test wells testing at 20, 40, 60 ft and below bedrock at some wells
- 70 RO systems have been installed and 2 are waiting to be installed. A list of homeowners who have not responded are being contacted and given a last chance to respond
- Discussion of the well test results that have been received so far

8. FIELD DAYS-Sarah Fleck

- Update given on 'pop-up' field day held with Producers of Lake Redstone members at Wegner Farms
- A tri-county Conservation Day at the Lake will be held June 19th with speaker Rick Clark registration ends June 10th

9. CONSTRUCTION UPDATE-Dustin Ladd

- Construction on 1,700 ft of Streambank at Bells Udder Farm is planned to start in July
- Land & Water is working to finalizing plans and permits for streambank construction at the Elroy Fairgrounds. If all goes well construction will begin after the Elroy fair is over.

10. NEW/OTHER BUSINESS-Committee

- Camp Douglas decided to vote next month on PFAS testing
- New Lisbon plans on testing as soon as lab availability allows
- Discussion of Dustin Ladd signing the Golden Sands RC&D Cooperative Agreement

11. SET NEXT MEETING DATE-Committee

Next meeting set **July 8th, 2021** at **Time 8:15am** Location: **Courthouse**

***10:00am - DNR PFAS UPDATE**

In Attendance: Amanda Dederich, John Wenum, Dustin Ladd, Sarah Fleck, Chris Zindorf, Joe Lally, Rodney Seamans, Rick Nitz, Nathan Kloczko, Dave Rozeboom, Kyle Burton, Tim Zeichert, Roy Irving, Ben Jeffrey, Brita Kilburg Basnyat

- Background was given on the PFAS situation at Volk Field and the current issues being assessed.
- Discussion of PFAS contamination levels at tested sites in the soil and/or groundwater.
- Testing of select private wells within 3 miles of the base began in April and will continue throughout the summer. Later this spring/summer monitoring wells will be installed on base to test for PFAS.
- Discussion of community engagement and keeping the public informed of possible health impacts of PFAS contamination

12. ADJOURN-Committee

Meeting adjourned – Motion by Zindorf seconded by Lally to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 a.m. Motion carried.